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Amendments to the Claims:

Please replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application with the following listing of claims.

Listing of claims

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A method for presenting structured digital content items, comprising:

a) reading a first file to obtain one or more categories associated with a present layer, wherein the first file defines defining a hierarchical structure for presenting digital content items, the hierarchical structure defining a plurality of layers into which digital content items are classified;

~~reading a plurality of second files, each second file defining at least one digital content item to be presented according to the hierarchical structure, each second file corresponding to at least one of the plurality of layers;~~

b) mapping the plurality of layers one or more categories associated with the present layer to areas on a display;

c) receiving a user-selected first display location on the display from a user; and displaying a layer data item of the plurality of layers corresponding to the received location;

~~wherein the layer data item is displayed only after the user-selected location is received~~

d) determining whether the user has selected the first display location;

e) if the user has selected the first display location, then determining whether the category mapped to the selected first display location is associated with a next-lower layer;

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- f) if the category mapped to the selected first display location is associated with a next-lower layer, then making the next-lower layer the present layer, and repeating steps a) through f);
- g) if the category mapped to the selected first display location is not associated with a next-lower layer, then reading one or more second files associated with the category mapped to the selected first display location to obtain one or more sets of one or more digital content items associated with the category mapped to the selected first display location in the present layer, wherein each of the second files associates each of one or more digital content items with at least one of the categories; and
- h) mapping the obtained one or more sets of one or more digital content items to areas on the display.

Claim 2 (Original): The method of claim 1 wherein the first file comprises one of a document type definition file and an extensible markup language schema file.

Claim 3 (Original): The method of claim 1 wherein each second file comprises extensible markup language.

Claim 4 (Canceled)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The method of claim [[4]] 1 further comprising:
~~identifying at least one of the plurality of second files corresponding to the selected layer data item;~~

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~~mapping the at least one of the plurality of second files to at least one area on the display;~~

~~receiving a user-selected second display location ~~on the display from the user~~; and
identifying the at least one of the plurality of the second files corresponding to the received user-selected location; and~~

~~displaying the at least one or more digital content [[item]] items corresponding to the identified second file; second display location.~~

~~wherein the at least one digital content item is displayed only after the user-selected location is received.~~

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 5 further comprising:

~~receiving a second selection of a location on the display;
identifying, as a selected second file, one of the plurality of second files that corresponds to the second selected location; and
determining whether the user has selected the second display location; and
if the user has selected the second display location, then storing an indication of selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location.~~

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 6 wherein storing an indication comprises storing an indication of ~~selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location in the selected a corresponding one of the one or more second [[file]] files.~~

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Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 6 wherein storing an indication comprises storing an indication of selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location in a third file.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 6 wherein storing an indication comprises storing an indication of selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location in the first file.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 1 wherein receiving a first display location from a user comprises receiving a location identified by at least one of a mouse and a touch screen.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable medium having instructions stored thereon presenting structured digital content items, the instructions, when executed on a processor, causing the processor to perform the following:

a) reading a first file to obtain one or more categories associated with a present layer, wherein the first file defines defining a hierarchical structure for presenting digital content items, the hierarchical structure defining a plurality of layers into which digital content items are classified;

~~reading a plurality of second files, each second file defining at least one digital content item to be presented according to the hierarchical structure, each second file corresponding to at least one of the plurality of layers;~~

b) mapping the plurality of layers one or more categories associated with the present layer to areas on a display;

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- c) receiving a user-selected first display location on the display from a user; and displaying a layer data item of the plurality of categories corresponding to the received location;
wherein the layer data item is displayed only after the user-selected location is received
 - d) determining whether the user has selected the first display location;
 - e) if the user has selected the first display location, then determining whether the category mapped to the selected first display location is associated with a next-lower layer;
 - f) if the category mapped to the selected first display location is associated with a next-lower layer, then making the next-lower layer the present layer, and repeating steps a) through f);
 - g) if the category mapped to the selected first display location is not associated with a next-lower layer, then reading one or more second files associated with the category mapped to the selected first display location to obtain one or more sets of one or more digital content items associated with the category mapped to the selected first display location in the present layer, wherein each of the second files associates each of one or more digital content items with at least one of the categories; and
 - h) mapping the obtained one or more sets of one or more digital content items to areas on the display.

Claim 12 (Original): The computer-readable medium of claim 11 wherein the first file comprises one of a document type definition file and an extensible markup language schema file.

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Claim 13 (Original): The computer-readable medium of claim 11 wherein each second file comprises extensible markup language.

Claim 14 (Canceled)

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The computer-readable medium of claim [[14]] 11 wherein the instructions further cause the processor to perform the following:

~~identifying at least one of the plurality of second files corresponding to the selected layer data item;~~

~~mapping the at least one of the plurality of second files to at least one area on the display;~~

~~receiving a user-selected second display location on the display from the user; and identifying the at least one of the plurality of the second files corresponding to the received user-selected location; and~~

~~displaying the at least one or more digital content [[item]] items corresponding to the identified second file; second display location.~~

~~wherein the at least one digital content item is displayed only after the user selected location is received.~~

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The computer-readable medium of claim 15 wherein the instructions further cause the processor to perform the following:

~~receiving a second selection of a location on the display;~~

~~identifying, as a selected second file, one of the plurality of second files that corresponds to the second selected location; and~~

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determining whether the user has selected the second display location; and
if the user has selected the second display location, then storing an indication of
selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the
second display location.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The computer-readable medium of claim 16 wherein storing an indication comprises storing an indication of selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location in the selected a corresponding one of the one or more second [[file]] files.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The computer-readable medium of claim 16 wherein storing an indication comprises storing an indication of selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location in a third file.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): The computer-readable medium of claim 16 wherein storing an indication comprises storing an indication of selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location in the first file.

Claim 20 (Canceled)

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): A system for presenting structured digital content items, comprising:
a display device;

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a processor in communication with the display device, the processor operable to execute instructions for performing the following:

a) reading a first file to obtain one or more categories associated with a present layer, wherein the first file defines defining a hierarchical structure for presenting digital content items, the hierarchical structure defining a plurality of layers into which digital content items are classified;

~~reading a plurality of second files, each second file defining at least one digital content item to be presented according to the hierarchical structure, each second file corresponding to at least one of the plurality of layers;~~

b) mapping the plurality of layers one or more categories associated with the present layer to areas on a display;

c) receiving a user-selected first display location on the display from a user; and displaying a layer data item of the plurality of layers corresponding to the received location;

~~wherein the layer data item is displayed only after the user selected location is received~~

d) determining whether the user has selected the first display location;

e) if the user has selected the first display location, then determining whether the category mapped to the selected first display location is associated with a next-lower layer;

f) if the category mapped to the selected first display location is associated with a next-lower layer, then making the next-lower layer the present layer, and repeating steps a) through f);

g) if the category mapped to the selected first display location is not associated with a next-lower layer, then reading one or more second files associated with the category

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mapped to the selected first display location to obtain one or more sets of one or more digital content items associated with the category mapped to the selected first display location in the present layer, wherein each of the second files associates each of one or more digital content items with at least one of the categories; and

h) mapping the obtained one or more sets of one or more digital content items to areas on the display.

Claim 22 (Canceled)

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): The system of claim [[22]] 21 wherein the processor is further operable to execute instructions for performing the following:

~~identifying at least one of the plurality of second files corresponding to the selected; mapping the at least one of the plurality of second files to at least one area on the display;~~

~~receiving a user-selected second display location on the display from the user; and identifying the at least one of the plurality of the second files corresponding to the received user-selected location; and~~

~~displaying the at least one or more digital content [[item]] items corresponding to the identified second file; second display location.~~
~~wherein the at least one digital content item is displayed only after the user-selected location is received.~~

Claim 24 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 23 wherein the processor is further operable to execute instructions for performing the following:

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~~receiving a second user selected location on the display;~~
~~identifying, as a selected second file, one of the plurality of second files that~~
~~corresponds to the second user selected location; and~~
determining whether the user has selected the second display location; and
if the user has selected the second display location, then storing an indication of
selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the
second display location.

Claim 25 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 24 wherein storing an indication comprises storing an indication of selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location in [[the]] a corresponding one of the one or more second [[file]] files.

Claim 26 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 24 wherein storing an indication comprises storing an indication of selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location in a third file.

Claim 27 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 24 wherein storing an indication comprises an indication of selection of the selected second file one or more digital content items corresponding to the second display location in the first file.